

# THE LAMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We are a family of faith wrapping our arms around God's world  
and making Jesus Christ a way of life  
through **worship**, as we praise and glorify God;  
through **study**, as we listen for God's Word in body, mind and spirit;  
through **mission**, as we embody God's love in service to the world;  
through **giving**, as we express gratitude to God;  
through **fellowship**, as we love and care for one another.*

## **Take hold of the life**



**that really is life.**  
**1 Timothy 6:19**

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
NOVEMBER 10, 2019

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 10, 2019

10:15AM

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*“They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.”*

**-1 Timothy 6:18-19**

**PREPARATION FOR THE WORD**

**RINGING THE BELL**

PRELUDE	Organ Voluntary in d minor Siciliano Andante Piece in D Major	John Stanley Samuel Wesley
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**WELCOME**

**\* PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**People: And also with you.**

INTROIT	<i>Great God of Every Blessing</i>	AURELIA
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**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate our gifts.  
**People: We celebrate the gifts God has given with the promises of giving we make for the year to come.**  
Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate our community.  
**People: We celebrate the love and support we give to one another; the constant quest we are on to be united by God's grace.**  
Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate our future.  
**People: We celebrate a future full of outreach, full of service, full of worship full of growth.**  
Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate our visions.  
**People: We celebrate the visions of those who have come before us, the visions that brought us to where we are today and the visions we see today for the future.**  
Leader: Let us gather in celebration!  
**People: Let us worship God!**

* GATHERING HYMN 612	“We Praise You, O God”	KREMSE
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**\* INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Compassionate God, have mercy on us.  
You have called us as stewards to do your will,  
but your will by us remains undone.  
We have placed other gods before you.  
Called to love you with all our hearts,  
we have chosen gods of selfishness.  
Called to love you with all our souls,  
we have allowed gods of self-righteousness  
to consume us.  
Called to love you with all our minds,  
we have permitted gods of prejudice  
to corrupt our thinking.  
Cleanse us, O God, from these and all our sins.  
By the power of Christ's sacrifice,  
free us to live as joyful stewards  
of your good creation.**

\* KYRIE (*Hymn 437*)

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!  
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!  
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

\* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (*Hymn 581*)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.**

**HEARING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 16

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(*Children are excused to go with their teachers to church school.*)

ANTHEM

*If Ye Love Me*

Thomas Tallis

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 6:13-21

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Life That Really Is Life"

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\* HYMN 688

“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”

MORECAMBE

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit**  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,**  
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,  
and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

**The same Spirit**  
who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

**In a broken and fearful world**  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,**  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

**With believers in every time and place,**  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

### THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Piece in D Major

Samuel Wesley

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

\* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## GROW-ONE SUNDAY ACTS OF COMMITMENT

## THE SENDING

* SENDING HYMN 712	“As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought	FOREST GREEN
* BENEDICTION		
* CHORAL RESPONSE	<i>A Gaelic Blessing</i>	John Rutter
* POSTLUDE	Piece in D Major	Samuel Wesley

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\* *All who are able please stand*

**Welcome to Lamington:** If you are a guest, please fill out the information card in the pew and return it in the offering plate or to the pastor or usher at the end of the service. The church office is closed on Mondays and open Tuesday-Friday from 10:00AM-4:00PM. Please note that the office may sometimes need to close early due to a personal reason or an emergency—it is best to call/email the office to be sure we are in: (908) 572-7013, lamingtonchurch@gmail.com. If you have a pastoral care emergency and need assistance immediately, please contact Pastor Carl Wilton at (908) 910-5360.

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### Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton, PASTOR  
James Goldsworthy, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC  
Regina Morris, OFFICE MANAGER  
Bess Ploener, DIRECTOR OF HANDBELLS & ALTO SECTION LEADER  
John Burke, TENOR SECTION LEADER  
Bennett Spotts, BASS SECTION LEADER  
Victoria Borrelli and Yiran Zhao, SOPRANO SECTION LEADERS  
Gade Smith and Susan Scott, SUNDAY NURSERY CARE  
Lori Larsen, CHURCH TREASURER (*volunteer*)

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### Prayer Requests, Joys, and Concerns

Prayer Request Cards can be found in the pews. Please place your request(s) in the offertory plate, or email/phone the church office at lamingtonchurch@gmail.com / (908) 572-7013. Please remember to keep the church office updated on prayer requests submitted.

#### We Pray For...

- † **Henry Aulenbuch**, seven and half years old, Henry has finished treatment for a brain tumor. He is resting at home. His legs don't work and he is confined to a wheelchair. We pray for Henry's continued healing and strength.
- † **Gunnar Bickhardt**—We continue to pray for Gunnar's ongoing healing and progress.
- † **Peter Nicoletti**—who continues to battle cancer. We pray for strength and comfort as he undergoes treatment. Peter is the brother-in-law of Katina and Ivan Medina.

## Today's Worship Notes

“A thing is bigger for being shared.” - Gaelic proverb

DEACON ON DUTY: Eleanor Halsey  
COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Molly & Gordon Falk

## The Upcoming Week

Sunday, November 10 <b>** Grow-One Sunday **</b>	8:45AM 9:15AM 10:15AM 10:30AM	Adult Choir Practice Deacon Meeting Worship Church School
Tuesday, November 12	6:15PM	Session Meeting—Gladish Room
Thursday, November 14	6:30PM	Bereavement Group with Claire Pula
Friday, November 15	11:00AM	SHIP's—Somerville, NJ
Sunday, November 17	8:45AM 10:15AM 10:30AM	Adult Choir Practice Worship Church School

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## The Officers of The Lamington Presbyterian Church



### Class of 2020

Valerie Fraser  
Jim Grubel  
Greg Halsey  
Alison Paine  
Georgie Schley  
Immanuel Thomas

### Class of 2021

Hunter Lewis  
Patrick Palmer  
Duncan Rose  
Meridith Scott (*clerk*)  
David Smith  
Odesa Stapleton

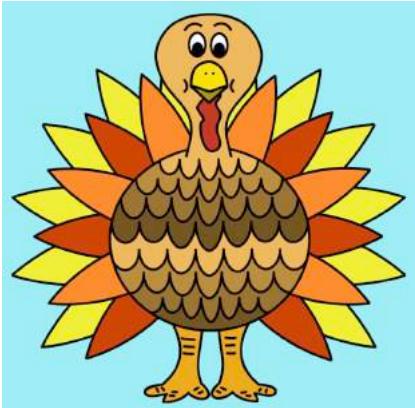
### Deacons

#### Class of 2020

Cindy Campbell  
Monica Immanuel  
Etta Marshall  
Sandi Ramsay  
Laurel Rose

#### Class of 2021

Sallye Grubel  
Eleanor Halsey  
Mary Jenkins  
Barbara Pereyra  
Joe Scott



### **Elizabethport Thanksgiving Dinner Food Drive**

*Please donate frozen turkeys by Sunday, November 24. To make our gift of turkeys even more meaningful and to provide a complete Thanksgiving meal, please consider also donating non-perishable sides such as: boxed mashed potatoes, yams, gravy, canned vegetables and stuffing packages. Please--no glass jars! Items are being collected NOW! Please place turkeys in the freezer located by the side door closest to the manse. The non-perishable items can be placed next to the freezer. Turkeys and items can be dropped off during church office hours Tuesday-Friday from 10:00AM-4:00PM or Sundays before worship. To*

*make other arrangements for drop off, please contact the church office at (908) 572-7013 or email [lamingtonchurch@gmail.com](mailto:lamingtonchurch@gmail.com).*



### **Annual Christmas Wreath Making, Chili Cook Off & Brownie Bake Off**

Sunday, December 8  
after 10:15AM worship

### **Christmas Pageant with the Handbell Choir, Children's Choir & Adult Choir**

Sunday, December 15  
10:15AM

### **Lessons & Carols**

Sunday, December 22  
10:15AM

### **Christmas Eve Services**

Tuesday, December 24  
5:00PM Family Service  
9:00PM Candlelight Service



## Christmas Decorating at Lamington

Dear Members and Friends of Lamington Church,

The Advent Season at The Lamington Presbyterian Church promises to be an exciting one for all ages! We will celebrate the season at Sunday Worship Services, our Annual Wreath Making/Chili/Brownie Event, the Christmas Pageant, Lessons & Carols, and two Christmas Eve Services.

We appreciate all contributions, small or large, to help decorate our sanctuary and church buildings for the season.

If you would like to be a part of this effort, please fill out the form below and place it in the weekly offering, or return it to the church office. (Online donations can be made at: <https://tinyurl.com/2019ChristmasDecorating>. When donating online you have the option of paying by credit card or check.)

Thank you!

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### 2019 CHRISTMAS DECORATING AT LPC

I / we would like to contribute to the Christmas Decorating Fund.

Enclosed is my / our contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Your name(s) as you would like it to appear in the bulletin:

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Checks should be made out to Lamington Presbyterian Church  
with the notation "Christmas Decorating Fund" on the memo line.*

*Please return this form and your contribution by Wednesday, December 18.*

*You may place the **form and check** in the **offering plate** or **mail** to:*

*The Lamington Presbyterian Church  
355 Lamington Road  
Bedminster, NJ 07921*





**ANNUAL**  
**Christmas Wreath Making,**  
**Chili Cook Off & Brownie Bake Off**

**On Sunday, December 8**--the second Sunday of Advent--the Lamington Church family will continue its tradition of making our beautiful Christmas wreath for the front entrance of the church. The wreath making festivities will begin after worship so remember to dress casually.



**PLEASE HELP**

**We need lots and lots of greens to create a lovely wreath!**

If you have greens of any type--holly, yew, cedar, boxwood, evergreen--you can begin dropping off the cuttings NOW--place behind the Gladish Room. We will take whatever you have--fill a box or a bag or whatever you can carry!

**NEW this Year**

**We are kicking off Basket Day early with a Raffle Sale**  
***A chance to win a \$3,000 gift certificate to Best Buy!***

If our gaming license is approved in time, we intend to have raffle tickets ready for our congregation to buy on December 8. Tickets will also be available for our members to take and sell to their friends and family--think--stocking stuffers!



**Calling All Chili Chefs & Brownie Bakers**

**ALL Ages Welcome to Enter**  
**NEW Prizes this year!**

While making our wreath, we will sample a wonderful variety of chili recipes.

***If you would like to enter the Chili Cook Off, sign up online at:***  
***<https://tinyurl.com/2019ChiliChef>***

The sweet ending to this fun event will be the Brownie Bake Off.

***If you would like to enter the Brownie Bake Off, sign up online at:***  
***<https://tinyurl.com/2019BrownieBaker>***

**Note:** Sign up sheets for chefs & bakers are also available in the Gladish Room.

**Questions:** Please call Meridith Scott at (908) 236-0206 / [meridith1027@gmail.com](mailto:meridith1027@gmail.com).

**Hope to see you all there!**